

December 5, 2005
Regular Session

Minutes

Members present

D.C. Swaim- Chairman
Brady Wooten- Vice- Chairman
Leon Casstevens- Commissioner
Kim Clark Phillips- Commissioner
Allen Sneed- Commissioner

Others Present

Cecil E. Wood- County Manager
Melinda Vestal-Clerk to the Board
James Graham-County Attorney

Chairman Swaim called the meeting to order. Attorney Graham had the invocation. The Board had the pledge of allegiance.

Public comments

There were none.

Minutes

***Commissioner Casstevens made the motion to approve the minutes with corrections. Commissioner Phillips seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

Commissioners-reorganization of Board

Commissioner Phillips nominated Commissioner Swaim.

Commissioner Casstevens nominated Commissioner Wooten.

***Commissioner Sneed made the motion to close the nominations. Commissioner Casstevens seconded. The Board voted 1-4 for Commissioner Swaim. Commissioners Wooten, Sneed, Swaim and Casstevens opposed. The Board voted 4-1 for Commissioner Wooten. Commissioner Phillips opposed.**

Commissioner Wooten was voted the new Chairman.

Commissioner Casstevens nominated Commissioner Sneed for Vice- Chairman.
Commissioner Phillips nominated Commissioner Casstevens.

***Commissioner Casstevens made the motion to close the nominations. Chairman Wooten seconded. The Board voted 3-2 for Commissioner Sneed. Commissioners Swaim and Phillips opposed. The Board voted 2-3 for Commissioner Casstevens. Commissioners Sneed, Wooten and Casstevens opposed.**

Chairman Wooten thanked the Board for their vote of confidence and looked forward to the challenge.

Crossroads-report

David Swann, Director, presented Regional Alliances among Local Managing Entities-Information and updates on:

- ❖ The NCDHHS has recommended Crossroads form an alliance/partnership with several other Local Managing Entities to regionally deliver two of the Local Managing Entity functions (Utilization Management and Screening, Triage and Referral). Crossroads is discussing this with other programs in North Carolina.
- ❖ Telecare Mental Health Services of North Carolina has terminated their contract for our outpatient services as of September 23, 2005 with an effective date ninety days later; December 21, 2005. Crossroads has interviewed and selected several other organizations that will begin or expand services in the same facilities currently in use. Our goal is to minimize the disruption to patients and retain professionals in our communities. Crossroads and Telecare have mutually agreed to make the transition for all services by December 12th. The Partnership for Behavioral Healthcare in North Carolina, Inc. will be our primary service provider in Yadkin County
- ❖ Request to sub-lease the facility on Lee Avenue to the new provider.

Mr. Swann discussed what it meant for Crossroads to be the Lead Managing Entity. He requested the Board send a letter of support to David Thompson, NCACC Director, regarding services to the citizens of Yadkin County.

***Commissioner Swaim made the motion to send a letter of support to David Thompson, NCACC Director. Commissioner Phillips seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

***Commissioner Phillips made the motion to allow Crossroads to sub-lease the facility on Lee Avenue to Partnership for Behavioral Healthcare. Commissioner Swaim seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

Economic Development-update and referendum

Mr. Todd presented a report on economic development activities for the county. He stated that he is marketing two buildings for UNIFI.

Mr. Todd presented a request from the Economic Development Council asking the Board to schedule a county-wide referendum for wine sales. The fifth testing room has opened in Yadkin County and the EDC would like the Board to show their support for viticulture.

The Board discussed the criteria for a referendum.

***Commissioner Phillips made the motion to hold a referendum for wine sales in the county within the provisions of the General Statutes. Commissioner Sneed seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

Elections-budget amendment

General Fund
Dept: Elections

Description	Account Number	Original Budget	Increase/(Decrease)	Amended Budget
HAVA Grant-100% polling access	1044170-42228	-0-	260.05	260.05
Approp.Fund Balance	1044000-49000	450,304.00	(260.05)	450,043.95

To refund Board of Elections for the balance of the HAVA Grant-100% polling access that was not used.

General Fund
Dept: Elections

Description	Account Number	Original Budget	Increase/(Decrease)	Amended Budget
List Maint.Grant '05 Bd.of Elections	1044170-42212	-0-	357.00	357.00
Postage	1054170-54250	2,731.00	75.00	2,806.00
Approp. Fund Balance	1044000-49000	441,403.00	(282.00)	441,121.00

To refund Board of Elections for balance of List Maintenance Grant '05 money that was not used.

***Commissioner Phillips made the motion to approve the budget amendments. Commissioner Sneed seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

Chairman Wooten called for a break.

Services & Development- budget amendment

General Fund

Dept: Services & Development

Description	Account Number	Original Budget	Increase/(Decrease)	Amended Budget
Salaries & Wages	1054910-51010	108,325.00	25,979.64	134,304.64
Social Security	1054910-51300	6,717.00	1,611.41	8,328.41
Medicare	1054910-51310	1,571.00	377.00	1,948.00
Retirement	1054910-51330	6,499.00	1,273.00	7,772.00
Appropriated Fund Balance	1044000-49000	450,043.95	29,241.05	479,285.00

To amend for the last paycheck to Larry Adams for his sick and vacation pay.

***Commissioner Phillips made the motion to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Swaim seconded.**

Commissioner Sneed read the following from the personnel policy: Sick leave with pay is not a right which an employee may demand payment but a privilege granted by the Board of Commissioners for the benefit of an employee when sick.

The Board voted 4-1. Commissioner Casstevens opposed.

Schools-agreements

***Commissioner Swaim made the motion to sign off on the agreements for the school loan; resolution, lease agreement and agency agreement. Commissioner Casstevens seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

Mr. Wood stated the loan closing is set for December 13th.

Tax Administration-personnel

***Commissioner Swaim made the motion to replace the position in the Tax Office due to the transfer of Tina Gardner to Permitting. Commissioner Phillips seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

JCPC-board appointment

***Commissioner Sneed made the motion to appoint Cindi Dixon to serve on the JCPC. Commissioner Phillips seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

EMS-budget amendment

Capital Projects Fund
Dept: EMS Station

Description	Account Number	Original Budget	Increase/(Decrease)	Amended Budget
Sale of Mobile Home Station	4044927-42347	- 0 –	4,300.00	4,300.00
Rent Expense	4054927-55020	- 0 –	4,300.00	4,300.00

To amend for the money received for the sale of the old EMS station mobile home and expense it to a rent line item to be used until the new station is finished.

***Commissioner Sneed made the motion to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Casstevens seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

Social Services- budget amendment

**Yadkin County Dept of Social Services
Budget Amendments
Revenues**

Description	Account Number	Original Budget	Increase/(Decrease)	Amend
Daycare	1045320 42235	1,033,886	26,132	1,060,018
Smart Start	1045320 42288	100,000	41,333	141,333
Family Care Giver	1045320 42220	0	3,400	3,400
Total		1,133,886	70,865	1,204,751

Expenditures

Description	Account Number	Original Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)	Amend
Daycare	1055320 57772	1,033,886	26.132	1,060,018
Smart Start	1055320 57800	40,000	41,333	81,333
Family Care Giver	1055320 57880	0	3,400	3,400
Total		1,073,886	70,865	1,144,751

***Commissioner Swaim made the motion to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Phillips seconded. The Board voted 5-0**

Commissioner comments

Commissioner Swaim congratulated Chairman Wooten on his chairmanship. He thanked the Board for their support while he was Chairman. He apologized for any mistakes he may have made; he tried to be fair to all.

Commissioner Phillips commented on the letter dated November 2nd from Capitol Links indicating there are no earmarks for 5-D or the I-77/Hwy 421 interchange. She feels Mr. Staton is not being effective for Yadkin County.

***Commissioner Phillips made the motion to terminate the contact with Capitol Links effective immediately. Commissioner Swaim seconded.**

The Board voted 2-3. Commissioners Wooten, Casstevens and Sneed opposed.

Commissioner Phillips commended Eddie Weatherman, Fire Marshal, on the recent newsletter "The Flame".

Commissioner Phillips inquired about the courthouse and the Revolving Loan.

Mr. Wood stated he would discuss them during manager's comments.

***Commissioner Phillips made the motion to hire someone with a four-year degree and experience in government financing and allow Mr. Wood to hire the most qualified person with the most experience for the position. Commissioner Swaim seconded.**

Mr. Wood stated to hire someone with these qualifications and to be competitive would require a salary in the upper 20's to lower 30's.

Commissioner Wooten inquired about a proposal for the position.

Mr. Wood stated he and the Finance Officer had discussed the structure of the finance office and compared it to the structure of other finance offices.

Commissioner Swaim stated the Board had discussed discrepancies with the financial statements which were targeted at the manager and finance officer. He stated hiring someone would address some of the issues.

The Board voted 5-0.

Commissioner Phillips stated the auditor had recommended that capital assets be raised from \$100 to \$5,000; \$100 is too low and requires extra paperwork.

***Commissioner Phillips made the motion to increase capital assets from \$100 to \$5,000 per the auditor's recommendation. Chairman Wooten seconded.**

Mr. Wood stated items will continue to be listed and depreciated per GASB 34.

The Board voted 5-0.

***Commissioner Phillips made a motion to change the budget ordinance from departments to functions as recommended by the auditor and the LGC. Commissioner Swaim seconded.**

The Board discussed what this change would mean for the budget.

The Board voted 4-1. Chairman Wooten opposed.

Commissioner Phillips discussed the landfill and questioned how costs could be covered more effectively.

Commissioner Phillips read a letter from a Hispanic in our community asking the citizens of Yadkin County open up to the Hispanic community, building a better working relationship.

Commissioner Wooten asked about the non-competing clause.

***Commissioner Sneed made the motion to approve the non-competing clause effective immediately making the clause part of the vendors' contracts. Commissioner Swaim seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

Chairman Wooten suggested a workshop after the first of the year to review the personnel policy and a workshop to discuss future plans for the county.

Commissioner Casstevens responded to the letter read by Commissioner Phillips. He stated he does not have a problem with Hispanics that are here legally, but he would like to get rid of the illegal aliens.

Chairman Wooten discussed the time set aside for public comment time. There have been times when people have asked to speak during the meeting. He asked the Board how they felt about this issue.

It was the consensus of the Board to follow Robert's Rule of Order and only allow comments during the time set for public comments.

Commissioner Casstevens read an apology to Andy Matthews.

Manager comments

Mr. Wood stated he received the inspection report regarding the jail and holding cells. Mr. Wood suggested the Board meet with those involved and discuss what would be the best way to make these changes.

It was the consensus of the Board to meet.

Mr. Wood updated the Board on the Mountain View development.

Mr. Wood stated that he spoke with the Clerk of Court regarding the conversations with two commissioners. Mr. Dixon informed Mr. Wood that he spoke with one Commissioner on Sunday and the other one on the Friday before the November 21st meeting.

Mr. Wood discussed the I-77/Hwy 21 waterline. He discussed getting water from Jonesville.

Mr. Wood asked for a closed session to discuss personnel.

Commissioner Sneed discussed the comments made by Commissioner Phillips at the last meeting chastising him and Commissioner Wooten. He stated the slanderous remarks and commissioner chastising has to stop. He commented on the problems at the jail. Commissioner Sneed suggested the Board create a plan before action is taken against the county; costing the county several thousands of dollars.

Mr. Wood informed the Board about new laws regarding voting machines. The county's machines are not 2002 compliant which means we will have to upgrade our machines or purchase new ones; state funds are available.

Closed Session –personnel

***Commissioner Swaim made the motion to go in closed session per G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6). Commissioner Phillip seconded.**

***Commissioner Swaim made the motion to come out of closed session. Commissioner Sneed seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

Adjournment

***Commissioner Sneed made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Casstevens seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

Melinda Vestal, Clerk to the Board